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IN CHARGE OF THIS ISSUE

Robert Bamford.....William Rosenwald

Wednesday, December 7, 1921

AN IMPROVED EASTMAN COURT

The news that architects are engaged in making plans for the completion of Eastman Court will certainly be received with a great deal of interest and expectation by the student body. The Technology buildings at present are notable for their imposing and dignified grandeur, but there is lacking the necessary complement of delicacy and grace. The renovation of Eastman Court along architectural lines will supply this important detail. The eminent architects, Jaques Greber and Welles Bosworth, who are to do the work, are of the exact caliber to do justice to it, and the Institute as a whole anticipates a magnificent expression of art in their accomplishment of the task.

SENIOR PROCRASTINATION

About forty per cent of the men in the Senior class have failed to call at the Technique office to make appointments to have their pictures taken for Technique. It is the same old story which has been repeated year after year. Is it laziness or indifference, that keeps these men from taking the few extra steps to the Technique office? It seems impossible that these Seniors should have no desire to have their names and records entered in the permanent record of the class. There is no expense entailed by having one's picture taken for Technique. A small amount of time is the only expenditure required. The appointment is made for almost any time which is convenient. If a Senior is so tied up in his work that he can not spare a half hour to have a picture taken, he might at least drop into the Technique office and enter his name and record. December 15 is the last date on which appointments can be made. The

delinquent forty per cent must come to life before that time. It is no reflection on a man's modesty to have his photograph made. Stop procrastinating, and get an appointment with the photographer at once.

THE TORTURE CHAMBER

The seats in the two large lecture halls, 5-330 and 10-250, are instruments of torture of such a subtle cast that it is hard to believe that an accidental could have designed them. There is an oriental esoterism about their curves that makes it impossible for an undeformed person to remain for an instant in one of them without writhing. Professor Millard made one of his happiest witticisms when he said, "The worst punishment I could ask for the man who designed those seats would be to make him sit in them."



Although the banquet of THE TECH at the Lenox was a great success in many ways, nevertheless it brought tears to the Lounger's eyes when the water pitchers were brought on bearing the insignia of the old Tech Chapel, may it rest in peace. To see these wonderful works of the glass-maker's art so lowered from their former communion service, to that of holding mere water, was enough to bring sorrow to the strongest man. The result is that he is in a rather pessimistic mood today.

He has, however, noted the existence of a new department at the Institute even if it does not appear on the tabular view. This is the Department of Trips and Tours. It has been functioning frequently of late. Leading in this work are the Dean, the Departments of Electrical and Civil Engineering, and the Physics Department. The Societies are also doing their bit, with trips to the Silk-proof Hosiery Company, to learn how to make a roll; to Montreal, to learn the action of yeast upon other substances; and to other similar places.

The tours of the Coop course of the department which gives double F's in triple E are usually to that commuters' paradise, Lynn. All night service is furnished by the Narrow Escape. It takes all night to get there. Ray and his crew of calamity howlers went out there the other night, and for some unknown reason got home before daylight. Perhaps it was because there was no dancing afterwards.

The bolshevik actions of the civil group carrying their red flags around the court has always been a source of worry to The Lounger. It is really dangerous up near the Canadian line, and red flags may be necessary, but around here it disturbs the Physics. The Lounger saw one of the young ladies under the 50 per cent rule (Half assistant and half co-ed) drifting with her pup across the court. The pup formed a strong attachment for the red flag, with rather bad results for department relations.

COMMUNICATIONS

To the Editor of THE TECH: In the Dec. 5th issue of your paper, I was exceedingly surprised to find Mr. A. W. K. Billings, Jr., Publicity Manager of the Voo Doo, using the word "Chinamen," in his letter to the editor. The use of the word "Chinamen," however, in place of "Chinese" is a national insult and a serious matter. As a loyal citizen of the Chinese Republic, I certainly do resent such a remark.

Yours truly, H. Y. TSUI '22.

APPROPRIATED PISTOL HAS NOT AS YET BEEN RETURNED

Up to the present time the pistol that was appropriated at a Military Science lecture in small arms during the middle of this term has not been returned. The Department feels that the man who took the pistol does not appreciate the fact that Sergeant Cox is held responsible for all Government property issued to him. It was thought that the previous article in THE TECH would prove sufficient but such has not been the case. It is not necessary for the present owner to present himself in person to the Military Science Department in order to return the pistol if he so desires. Either the American Railway Express, U. S. Mail, or Parcel Post could be employed in making the return which would be greatly appreciated by the sergeant.

INTERCOLLEGIATE NEWS

Frosh Victors at Middlebury The freshman eleven defeated the Sophomore team at Middlebury College, to the tune of 19-0. Excitement ran unusually high because of the attempts on the part of the Sophomores to kidnap the stars of the freshman team. The quarterback and one half-back were secured by the Sophomores, but they managed to escape in time to play. This makes the third straight victory for the freshmen in their series that corresponds to the M. I. T. Field Day. If the freshmen win the series, they will be entitled to remove their "P-greens" during and after Junior week.

Sporting in Aeroplanes This year brings a new kind of contest between the two great English universities, Oxford and Cambridge, in the form of an aeroplane match. The first inter-varsity flying match will be held at the Hendon Airdrome, and will consist of three events which ought to produce keen competition, since both institutions can claim men who learned their aviation during the war.

Crew Coaches Use Movies The Yale crew coaches are using moving pictures of the first crews in action to instruct members of the squad. These pictures, which are of the slow motion type similar to those sometimes seen of baseball players in action, and the coaches believe that they will be of great value in pointing out the various weaknesses and in explaining their remedies to the men. Practice for all crew men except the members of the first four freshman crews is now confined to work on the machines in the gymnasium. The frosh will be kept on the water for another week so that, in case there is a late winter, the coaches will have had time to pick a freshman eight that will have a permanent seating when practice is called in the spring.

Cornell To Have New Diamond Work is nearing completion on the new baseball diamond which Cornell is soon to have. A complete drainage system has been installed at a cost of thirty thousand dollars. Temporary stands are being erected, with the intention of replacing them with concrete in the near future. The stands are 90 feet from the plate, and extend for a considerable distance along the base lines.

Several new societies have recently been formed at New Hampshire College. The first, known as "The Blue Key," was formed for the purpose of promoting the general welfare of New Hampshire College. The organization is composed of seniors who in turn elect new members from the junior class just before they graduate. The second society has been called "The Sphinx," and is composed of sophomores. Its purpose is to take care of all visitors, including athletic teams, non-athletic organizations of other colleges, and visiting alumni at college functions. Its members will also serve as ushers at athletic contests.

REGISTRATION MATERIAL FOR SECOND TERM IS DISTRIBUTED

Blue Class Cards Are Supplied by Book Checking System

Registration for the second term began Monday. The most important change of system is the elimination of the blue class cards, and the necessity of having one's registration approved before attending classes.

With the elimination of the blue cards, a new method of forming the roll is being put in force. Under the old system a student, after filling out cards, attended the classes. It was some time before the registrar could sort all these cards, amounting to over 15,000, and distribute them. Even then the instructors had no definite check on each student's having registered correctly. Under the new scheme, after the student has paid his tuition and fulfilled all the requirements, he receives a booklet from the Bursar. This booklet contains his receipt, and also a set of class cards which are already made out for the classes he is allowed to attend. When he attends his first class, he must present a card to the instructor. The card has an attached stub, which the instructor returns to the Bursar's office, indicating that the student is now attending classes, and is entitled to a record in that subject. In this way, the registrar hopes to lighten the work of his office, especially regarding transfers from one class to another.

NOTICES

FOR UNDERGRADUATES

First Sophomore and freshman crews will have their pictures taken at Notman's Studio at Harvard Square, Saturday, at 2 o'clock. Material taken from lockers during the past summer will be held in storage until December 16. On that date all material will be discarded.

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DANCE BY COURSE VIA JUNIORS

The Juniors of Course VI-A gave a small formal dance at the Aberdeen studio on Commonwealth avenue Friday night. The committee in charge was composed of D. A. Yount and E. I. Richardson. Supper was served during the intermission and the affair was a marked success. About twenty-five couples were present.

AT THE THEATRES

- PLYMOUTH: 8:15. "The Bad Man." Holbrook Blinn as a businesslike bandit.
ST. JAMES: 8:15. "Come Out of the Kitchen."
COPLEY: 8:10. "Bunty Pulls the Strings." Reviewed in this issue.
WILBUR: 8:20. "The Nightcap." A comedy of murder. Good stuff.
SELWYN: 8:15. Thurston, the magician.
ARLINGTON: 8:15. The Boston Society of Singers presents "Tales of Hoffman."
SYMPHONY HALL: Dec. 7, at 8:15. Piano recital by Rachmaninoff. Benefit of Radcliffe College endowment. Dec. 9, at 8:15, and Dec. 10, at 2:30. Newman traveltalk on Sweden, Norway and Denmark. Dec. 11, at 3:30. Piano recital by Gabrilowitch.

KEITHS: 8:00. Vaudeville. Reviewed in this issue.

MAJESTIC: 8:00. Vaudeville. Reviewed in this issue.

HOLLIS: 8:15. "Mr Pim Passes By." A wholly delightful comedy centering about a woman with two husbands.

COLONIAL: 8:15. "Tip Top." Fred Stone's musical extravaganza. Good music, good dancing.

TREMONT: 8:15. "Only 38." An A. E. Thomas comedy fresh from a long run in New York. 'Nuff sed.

FENWAY: (Thurs., Fri., Sat.) Wallace Reid, Gloria Swanson and Elliott Dexter in "Don't Tell Everything" and Alice Calhoun in "The Rainbow." (Continued on Page 4.)

NEW OPTICAL STORE

At the corner of Mass. Ave. and Newbury St., an optical store has been opened by the Montgomery-Frost Co. who conduct other stores at 366 Boylston St., and 40 Bromfield St. Their Mass. Ave. store is equipped with their usual complete optical workshop where quick service will be given for either new orders or repair work on spectacles and eye glasses. Adv.

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